

**Child Support Enforcement - Federal Standards**

**Agency/Program #:** 6901-05-G1  
**Division:** Child Support Enforcement  
**Program:** Federal Standards

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**Program or Project Description:**

The purpose of the Child Support Enforcement Division (CSED) is to pursue and obtain financial and medical support for children by establishing, enforcing, and collecting financial support owed by obligated parents. Program staff locates absent parents, identifies assets, establishes paternity, and ensures obligated parents maintain medical health insurance coverage for their dependent children. Child support payments are collected for families receiving public assistance and those not on assistance. Services are available to any applicant regardless of income level.

LFD Note: The following appropriation data is the budget for the division. There are not separate appropriations for the selected goals.

Appropriation, Expenditure and Source						Approp & Expenditure numbers are as of August 29, 2008
Fund Name:	2008		2009			
	Approp.	Expended	Approp.	Expended		
General Fund	3,852,526	3,605,733	4,404,279	572,640		
State Special	1,699,446	1,605,369	1,708,018	191,450		
Federal Funds	5,619,841	5,594,457	5,152,360	683,409		
Total:	\$11,171,813	\$10,805,559	\$11,264,657	\$1,447,499		

**Legislative Goal(s):**

Meet the federal chld support performance standards

**Legislative Performance Measures :**

1. Increase Child Support Collections from \$59.2 million
2. Maintain the IV-D Paternity Establishment Percentage at 90%
3. Maintain the Percentage of Cases with Support Orders at 80%
4. Increase the Percentage of cases with current child support collections to 63%
5. Increase the percentage of cases with arrears child support collections to 67%

**2009 Biennium Significant Milestones:**

Completion Dates  
**Target**      **Actual**

1	Results are measured at the end of each federal fiscal year	9/30/2008	x
2	Results are measured at the end of each federal fiscal year	9/30/2009	x
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**Performance Report:**

Results are reported as June 30, 2008 because that is the last quarter for which information is available. These measures are reported on a federal fiscal year, so the information represents three completed quarters (12/07, 3/08 and 6/08). As of the end of June, we have exceeded or are close to exceeding all of our performance measures. It is projected that we will meet or exceed all of the performance measures by the end of federal fiscal year 2008 (9/30/2008). Current information is below:

1. Child Support Collections - \$50.7 million
2. Paternity Establishment percentage - 103.4%
3. Percentage of cases with Support Orders - 88.36%
4. Percentage of cases with current support collections - 64.28%
5. Percentage of cases with arrears support collections - 68.35%

**LFD Narrative:**

LFD ASSESSMENT: On Track

DATA RELEVANCE: Yes

APPROPRIATION STATUS: Appropriation and expenditure data were provided. The \$366,254 total difference between the appropriation and the amount expended primarily reflects the amount of funds reverted at year end.

COMMENTS/ISSUES: The division continues its good work. The year-end results for the federal standards will be addressed in the LFD fiscal analysis and presented to the legislative subcommittee during session. Although it is not a federal standard at this time, child support enforcement agencies are expected to provide assistance in obtaining health insurance for children. The workgroup may wish to have the division provide the latest child/insurance data.

OPTIONS: No further review.



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